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Warsaw, May 2. N. S.

AMong the Princes who pretend to the Crown, Don *Livio Odescalchi*, Nephew to Pope *Innocent* XI. is talked of at present; and 'tis said Overtures have been made to several Great Men to favour his Pretention; but his Interest is not like to be considerable. The Hopes of the French to obtain the Crown for the Prince of *Conti* are much lessen'd; and if they cannot prevail for him, 'tis said they will endeavour to have the Election fall upon a Native of this Country; but in this too 'tis probable they will be disappointed. The Friends of Prince *James*, though they meet with great Opposition, do not yet despair of Success, and when they do, intend to join with those that labour the Election of Prince *Lewis* of *Baden*, as most beneficial for the Publick. In the mean time we receive the good News from *Lemberg*, that greatest part of the Confederated Forces shew a great Inclination to return to their Duty, and that the Negotiation for adjusting Matters with them is renewed, with great appearance of a good Conclusion.

Vienna, May 8. The General Officers who are to serve in *Hungary* this Summer, begin to send away their Equipages, and they themselves intend to follow in few days. The Rendezvous of the Imperial Forces is appointed near *Buda*; and at the same time a Flying Camp will be formed near *Peter-Waradin*, under the Command of Count *Guido* of *Staremberg*. The Prince *de Commercy*, who arrived here some days ago from *Brussells*, is to make the Campaign in *Hungary*; where 'tis thought he will Command the Imperial Cavalry. The Turks make all imaginable Provision for the Defence of *Temiswar*, as if they expected a Siege: We are assured their Army in *Hungary* will hardly be so strong this Year as 'twas the last, by reason of the great Succours they are obliged to send to the *Tartars*, to enable them to defend their Country against the *Moscovites*, who make vast Preparations to attack them.

Francfort, May 16. The French have sent strong Detachments towards *Flanders*, and their Design appears now to be to act defensively on the *Rhine*; Their Rendezvous is near *Landaw*; but they are not yet together in any considerable Body. This may give Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* an opportunity to undertake something of moment; The Forces under his Command move towards the Place of Rendezvous, and the whole Army will be formed and take the Field so soon as there is Forage.

Cologne, May 17. We have advice that several French Regiments who came from the *Mosello* and the *Rhine*, are marched through the Country of *Luxemburg* towards *Brabant*, to reinforce their Armies in those Parts. The *Brandenburg* Forces that marched lately from hence, are arriv'd on the *Maese*; and are to join with others that came from *Wesel*, and the Parts thereabouts. The Forces of *Lunenburgh*, consisting of 12000 Men, march likewise towards *Flanders*.

Paris, May 17. The Squadron commanded by the Marquis *de Nesmond*, which sailed from *Brest* the 29th of the last month, was obliged by bad Weather to stop at *Bell-Isle*, where they still were according to our last advice: 'Tis said the Squadron of 5 Ships from *Rochefort* under Monsieur *Magnon* are to join them. The Count *de Briole*, Ambassador from this Court to the Duke of *Savoy*, is arrived at *Turin*. The Letters from thence say, the Dutchess of *Savoy* is with Child, which occasions a great Joy there. The Letters from *Perpignan* tell us, that the Forces commanded by the Duke *de Vendosme* were drawing together, and would begin the Campaign in few days.

Brussells, May 19. The French Invested *Aeth* on the 10th Instant with 50 Squadrons of Horse commanded by Monsieur *Rozen*, and their Pioneers, of which they have summoned in a great number, began to work the same day on the Lines of Circumvallation; and on the 17th the Cannon from the Town were heard all day; The Army employed in the Siege is commanded by Mareschal *Catinat*. Mareschal *Villeroy* is encamp'd between *Lebze* and *Cambron*; and Mareschal *Boufflers* at *Fontaine l'Evesque*, near the *Sambre*. There are in *Aeth* 9 Battalions and two Regiments of Horse, about 3500 in all, and the Place (of which the Count *de Roeulx* is Governor) is in a Condition to hold out 18 or 20 days; The Prince *de Chimay*, the Marquis *de Rubourg*, and the Count *de Grobendonc* went hence the 16th in the morning, to put themselves into the Town, but the first was taken by the Enemy, and the other two are come back. The Forces commanded by the Prince *de Vaudemont*, will march from *Bois Seigneur Isaac* to *Hall*; and His Majesty is expected in the Army towards the end of this week. The Elector of *Bavaria* is returned from *Ghent* to the Camp at *Deynse*.

Hague, May 21. The Letters from *Flanders* say, *Aeth* was Invested the 16th Instant by a Body of French Horse, the next day the Foot began to arrive with the Pioneers; and they intended to open their Trenches last night: The Conduct of the Attack is committed to Monsieur *Vauban* and Monsieur *Lapara*, their Principal Ingeniers; and a great Train of Artillery was expected this day in the Camp from *Mons*.

The Plenipotentiaries met again at *Ryswick* on Saturday last; the Conference lasted about an hour, and some Points of Ceremony were regulated. The Allies are to give in their Demands in writing at the Meeting to morrow. The President *de la Tour*, arrived here this morning from *Brussells*. We have advice that *du Bart* lies in *Dunkirk* Road with 10 or 11 Ships, ready to sail.

Bruges, May 21. *N.S.* The King, God be thanked, is perfectly recovered of his late Indisposition. His Majesty, upon Intelligence that the French had Invested *Aeth*, left *Zuleftain* yesterday morning, and arrived here at Night; on Thursday His Majesty intends to go hence, and to be the next day with the Army in *Brabant*, which is to march from *Bois Seigneur Isaac* to the Camp near *Hall*, and from thence towards *Aeth*.

Kinsale, May 4. On the 2d Instant came into this Harbour His Majesty's Ship the *Medway*, Capt. *Cleveland* Commander, with a French Privateer of 50 Guns, 10 Patereroes, and 325 Men, called the *Pontchartrain*, commanded by Capt. *Lemell* of *Dunkirk*, which he took the 30th of the last Month about 18 Leagues W. by N. from *Scilly*; Capt. *Cleveland* gave Chase to the said Privateer several Hours, and at last coming up with him about 6 in the morning, gave him a broad side, whereupon the French Commander boarded the *Medway* with a design to enter his Men, but found so warm a reception, that he immediately sheer'd off again; Then they lay Yards-Arm and Yards-Arm for 5 Glasses, discharging their broad sides into one another, after which the Privateer made all the sail he could to run; but finding he could not escape, yielded about 10, having 43 Men killed and 30 wounded; and on board